

17. The process window according to Claim 10, wherein the window pane extends into the pipe or the reactor with the central region and is surrounded on its periphery by a protective sleeve. --

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

In the Title, please cancel the Title and replace with the following Title:

--PRESSURE-PROOF PROCESS WINDOW--

On page 1, below the Title, please add:

--This application is the National Stage Application of PCT/EP00/02239, which claims a priority from German Application 199 13 730.7 filed March 26, 1999.

--BACKGROUND--

On page 3, line 5, please add:

--DESCRIPTION--

On page 7, below line 12, please add:

-- The invention is further described in the following illustrative examples.

On page 9, below line 32, please add the following:

--Although the present invention has been described in detail with reference to certain preferred versions thereof, other variations are possible. Therefore, the spirit and scope of the appended claims should not be limited to the description of the versions contained therein.--